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SUBJ: WASHINGTON PROGRAM FOR HARVEY BATES, M.B.E., ASSISTANT

SECRETARY GOA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

1. HARVEY BATES, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, INVESTIGATIONS
BRANCH, AUSTRALIAN DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND CONSUMER
AFFAIRS WILL BE MAKING AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO WASHINGTON,
ARRIVING AUGUST 14 AND REMAINING THROUGH THE CLOSE OF
BUSINESS AUGUST 17 WHEN HE DEPARTS FOR NEW YORK.

2. HE HAS REQUESTED THE EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING
APPROPRIATE APPOINTMENTS ON NARCOTICS AND CUSTOMS MATTERS
WITH KEY U.S.G. OFFICIALS DURING HIS WASHINGTON STAY. IN
ADDITION TO ANY OTHER APPOINTMENTS WHICH DEPARTMENT MAY WISH
TO ARRANGE, HE HAS SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS WITH

AS MANY OF THE FOLLOWING AS CAN BE ARRANGED: (1) MS. MATHEA
XILCO; (2) DR. PETER BOURNE, WHITE HOUSE; (3) DEA
ADMINISTRATOR PETER BENSINGER; (4) APPROPRIATE SENIOR U.S.
CUSTOMS OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH NARCOTICS MATTERS AND WITH
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BORDER, AND AIRPORT INSPECTION AND CONTROL.

3. IN ADDITION TO WASHINGTON APPOINTMENTS, MR. BATES HOPES
ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE BY U.S. CUSTOMS FOR HIM TO SPEND
AUGUST 18 STUDYING U.S. CUSTOMS OPERATIONS AT KENNEDY
AIRPORT IN NEW YORK.

4. MR. BATES IS THE EMBASSY'S KEY CONTACT ON NARCOTICS MATTERS WITH THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT. HE IS A FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE AUSTRALIAN NARCOTICS BUREAU, AND IS STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ANB, WHICH IS PART OF HIS INVESTIGATION DIVISION. HE HAS VERY BROAD RESPONSIBILITY FOR UFL ASPECTS OFSMHE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING AUSTRALIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE U.N. COMMISSION IN GENEVA AND IN REGIONAL PROJECTS IN THE PACIFIC AREA. HE AND HIS ORGANIZATION HAVE BEEN UNFAILINGLY GENEROUS IN RECEIVING AND HOSTING U.S.G. REPRESENTATIVES VISITING AUSTRALIA IN CONNECTION WITH INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTIVITIES.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: THE EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT THE

DEPARTMENT MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ARRANGE THE PROGRAM WHICH MR. BATES HAS REQUESTED, AND THAT THE EMBASSY BE ADVISED OF THE STATUS OF THESE ARRANGEMENTS BY AUGUST 10 IN ORDER THAT IT MAY INFORM MR. BATES OF THE PROGRAM ARRANGED. BATES' OFFICE HAS ALREADY ADVISED AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON OF IMPENDING VISIT, AND AUSTEMB IS HANDLING HOTEL AND TRAVEL DETAILS.
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